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**AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the Office Action mailed July 27, 1998, Applicants hereby request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-5, 7-12 and 14-16.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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6. (Amended) A method for treating a neoplastic condition sensitive to interferon which method comprises administering to the mammal an effective amount of an interferon via oromucosal contact, said amount being in excess of a dose of the same interferon which induces a pathological response when parenterally administered.